

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: § Docket No.: 1999B052-4  
*Mittricker, et al.*  
Appln. No.: Not Assigned § Group Art Unit: 3746  
Filed: December 5, 2003 § Examiner: Ehud Gartenberg  
For: Method for Utilizing Gas Reserves  
with Low Methane Concentrations  
and High Inert Gas Concentrations §

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to any examination of this application, please enter the amendments detailed on the following pages.